# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
# LOK SABHA

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**Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

(a) the present status of the industries related to rolling, furnace, manufacture of sports items and jaggery production in the country, particularly in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) the details of steps are being taken by the Government to provide assistance to these industries?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): The Government (in the Ministry of Agro and Rural Industries) has been promoting various rural industries throughout the country, including Uttar Pradesh, under the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP), implemented through the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), to help eligible entrepreneurs to set up village industry units and thus create employment opportunities in village and small towns with population upto 20,000.Under this programme, entrepreneurs can establish village industries by availing the margin money assistance from KVIC and loans from public sector scheduled commercial banks, selected regional rural banks, cooperative banks, etc., for projects with a maximum cost of Rs. 25 lakh. Based on raw material, nature of production activity, etc., the village industries promoted by KVIC are categorised under seven broad groups, namely, (1) Mineral based industry [MBI] (2) Forest based industry [FBI] (3) Agro and food processing industry [AFPI] (4) Polymer and chemical based industry [PCBI] (5) Handmade paper and fibre industry [HMPFI] (6) Rural engineering and bio-technology industry [REBTI] and (7) Service activities and the information maintained accordingly: The State/Union Territory-wise present status of these seven groups of industries in terms of the projects set up, employment generated and value of production in the country, including Uttar Pradesh, during 2005-06 is given at Annex. I, II and III respectively.

(b): The State/Union Territory-wise details of margin money provided to the above-mentioned seven groups of industries, including Uttar Pradesh, during 2005-06 are given at the Annex. IV.